TRANSGENDERISM AND THE CHURCH

A. The Culture of the Self-Defining Self

B. Seven Principles of Hope and Change for the Transgender

- 1. The Christian's ultimate goal is not to convince a person to accept heterosexuality or biological identity, but it is to help them know Jesus Christ and His Gospel.
- 2. The body is not the prison of the soul so that your goal becomes to escape the body.
- 3. You must help them reject the ungodly notion that the highest good of life is driven by the moral imperative to be true to oneself.
- 4. You must help them reject the cultural presumption of the "self-defining self" and learn to be grateful for the way God has created their body.
- 5. You must help them be fully committed to the truth that their given biological gender-identity and heterosexual orientation glorifies God.
- 6. Binary gender distinctiveness models an even greater spiritual reality that must not be lost with the culture of the self-defining self.
- 7. When you fail to follow God's truth, it results in incalculable human suffering and personal misery.

